



# Great Lakes Bioneers Detroit Conference

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**Oct. 17-19, 2008**  
**At Marygrove College**



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Dear Potential Sponsor,

I am inviting you to become a sponsor of the fourth annual **Great Lakes Bioneers Detroit (GLBD) Conference** will take place at Marygrove College October 17-19, 2008. GLBD is organized by a coalition of nonprofit groups doing important work on behalf of sustainability in Detroit and Southeast Michigan. This conference connects individuals and organizations who come together to apply practical solutions to address environmental and social justice issues. Our conference will happen simultaneously with 17 other Bioneer satellite conferences around the country.

**This isn't a conference: it's a movement. It builds every year, getting stronger and stronger.** –  
China Galland, Award-winning author of *The Bond Between Women*

**No conference on Earth celebrates more fully the possibilities of creating a world that is conducive to life. Bioneers is central to the re-imagining of what it means to be human.** – Paul  
Hawken, Author, *Natural Capitalism & Blessed Unrest*

Join us at the crossroads of ecology and social justice. Since 1990, the Bioneers Conference in California has assembled a cross-cultural gathering of “biological pioneers” who use nature to heal our communities. The unique Bioneers culture focuses on *solutions* informed by the biological truth of interconnectedness that is essential to mending living systems and our relationship with the natural world. Via satellite downlink, we beam the headlining presenters from California who speak on topics that relate to: *Restoring our Ecosystems, Organic Food, Teaching Sustainability and Social Entrepreneurship and Green Business*. We build a regionally focused conference around these and other topics with:

- Tours and workshops about issues and projects of local importance
- Exhibit area for businesses and organizations to display, sell, and educate
- Delicious lunches and snacks prepared with local and organic food
- Entertainment, music, art, storytelling, networking
- Dozens in attendance who are working on community, ecological and social justice solutions

**Bioneers is inviting your partnership** to support this conference. As a sponsor, vendor and/or exhibitor you reach over four hundred people who share a commitment to social justice and environmental restoration. We will have a centralized location with lots of conference foot traffic for displays and vending. **Enclosed with this letter** is a sponsorship information document for this event.

There is limited space, so please commit early to become a part of this inspiring event. Feel free to contact me with your questions or sponsorship commitment.

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